GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
POWER
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Negative Energy Balance
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the country has negative Energy Balance for decades and if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether this shortage has forced the Country to purchase energy from outside the country and if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR POWER,
COAL AND NEW & RENEWABLE ENERGY

(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a) : As reported by the States / UTs, the details of energy shortage in terms of electricity in the country during the last two decades are given at Annex. During 2015-16, the energy shortage was 2.1% which is the lowest ever in a single year.
(b) : At present, India is importing power only from Bhutan. The imported power is mainly Bhutan''s surplus power from hydro stations commissioned in Bhutan with the assistance from the Government of India. During 2015-16, energy imported from Bhutan was about 5 Billion units (BU).

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